

~~Amendments to the Specification:~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

More concretely, noncontact IC tags 20 (referred to as information storage mediums, and including tags which are referred to as an RF-ID tag an RFID tag) provided with an IC chip 41 (Fig. 3) are attached to the containers 22 of food packages 21a produced by packing the processed foods 21 individually in the containers 22. The IC chip 41 stores necessary food information including food ID information specifying the processed food 21 of the food package 21a to which the noncontact IC tag 20 is attached.

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